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December 18, 2018

Charles W. Munce, P.E.
GHD Services Inc.
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Re: Submission Date – Draft Second Phase Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan and Draft
Treatability Study Work Plan
San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site.
CERCLA Docket No. 06-02-18

Dear Mr. Munce,

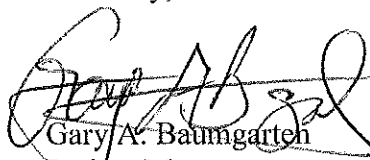
The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed your December 13, 2018 letter regarding the submission dates for the Second Phase Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan (PDIWP) and Treatability Study Work Plan (TSWP). The letter details a request from International Paper Company and McGinnes Industrial Maintenance Corporation (Respondents) to revise the submission date for the PDIWP and TSWP to February 11, 2019. The request for the schedule extension is based on a December 10, 2018 meeting between EPA, the Respondents and GHD as well as the Respondents November 2, 2018 email and December 7, 2018 correspondence.

As discussed in your December 13, 2018 letter, submitting the PDIWP and TSWP on February 11, 2019 will eliminate the challenges that would be presented by attempting to develop the two Work Plans without having the opportunity to utilize the results from the Phase 1 Pre-Design Investigation. In addition, the letter notes that the Respondents believe that modifying the submission date of the Work Plans will result in overall schedule efficiency for the Remedial Design.

Based on the information presented in your December 13, 2018, letter and discussions during our December 10, 2018 meeting, EPA hereby approves the extension to submit the PDIWP and TSWP on February 11, 2019. The Respondents commitment to making good faith efforts to ensure that the extension does not impact the overall Remedial Design schedule is very important to EPA. The Agency is also committed to completing the Remedial Design as efficiently as possible and coordinating with the Respondents to identify opportunities for schedule optimization.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. You may reach me at 214-665-6749.

Sincerely,



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